

X<sub>9</sub> is Asp or Ala;

X<sub>10</sub> is Phe;

X<sub>11</sub> is Trp;

X<sub>12</sub> is Thr;

X<sub>13</sub> is Ile;

X<sub>14</sub> is Met;

X<sub>15</sub> is Glu;

X<sub>16</sub> is Asn;

X<sub>17</sub> is His or Ala;

Z<sub>1</sub> is H<sub>2</sub>N-;

Z<sub>2</sub> is -C(O)OH; and

each "--" between residues X<sub>1</sub> through X<sub>17</sub> is an amide linkage.--

#### **REMARKS**

With this Amendment, Claims 1-13 have been canceled, without prejudice, and replaced with new Claims 14-19. Applicants expressly reserve the right to prosecute claims drawn to the canceled subject matter in one or more timely filed continuation, divisional or continuation-in-part applications. New Claims 14-19 merely recite with greater particularity and/or clarity certain features of canceled Claims 8-13.

As demonstrated by the table below, new Claims 14-19 are fully supported by the application and claims as originally filed and do not constitute new matter. Entry into the instant application is therefore proper and kindly requested. Specific support for each new claim is provided in the following table:

New Claim	Support (original Claim; page (line nos.))
14	Claim 8; 7 (10) through 8 (1); 20 (32-34); 26 (6) through 27 (4)
15	Claim 9; 14 (18) through 15 (5); 20 (32-34)
16	Claim 10; 15 (6-29); 20 (32-34)
17	Claim 11; Claim 8; 7 (10) through 8 (1); 20 (32) through 21 (3)
18	Claim 12; 14 (18) through 15 (5); 20 (32) through 21 (3)
19	Claim 13; 15 (6-29); 20 (32) through 21 (3)

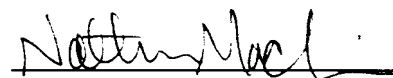
### CONCLUSION

New Claims 14-19 are believed to be in condition for allowance. An early indication of the same is kindly solicited.

No fees are believed due in connection with this submission. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees, or credit any overpayment, to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

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